

## IN THE CLAIMS

1.(Currently Amended) A multi-configuration network connection point device comprising:

a first connection interface including a primary connection port for communicatively coupling to an upstream network device, said first connection interface coupled to ~~said body~~ a first surface of said multi-configuration network connection point device;

a second connection interface including a secondary connection port for communicatively coupling to a downstream network device via a wireless technology, wherein said second connection interface is ~~adapted to be~~ secured in a fixed location while conveniently providing said communicatively coupling to a downstream network device via a wireless technology, said second connection interface coupled to a second surface of said multi-configuration network connection point device; and

a communication bus for communicatively coupling said first connection interface to said second connection interface.

2.(Currently Amended) A multi-configuration network connection point device of Claim 1 wherein said first connection interface comprises a single primary interface connection port for coupling with a singular communication path to an upstream device and said secondary connection interface comprises a plurality of interface connection ports.

3. (Currently Amended) A multi-configuration network connection point device of Claim 1 further comprising dedicated interface ports for forwarding power, wherein ~~said secondary connection interface comprises a plurality of interface connection ports.~~

4. (Currently Amended) A multi-configuration network connection point device of Claim 1 further comprising a fault detection means for processing and interpreting data in fault detection and isolation operations, wherein said first connection interface ~~couples to a singular communication path to an upstream device.~~

5. (Previously Presented) A multi-configuration network connection point device of Claim 1 wherein said secondary connection interface is configured for convenient placement in fixed locations in a manner that facilitates maintenance of system integrity and security.

6. (Currently Amended) A multi-configuration network connection point device of Claim 1 wherein said multi-configuration network connection point device further comprises an anchoring means for fastening said multi-configuration network connection point device to a stationary member so that portions of said behind said anchoring means towards said primary connection port are recessed in a cavity of said stationary member.

7. (Original) A multi-configuration network connection point device comprising:  
a first connection interface including a primary connection port for  
communicatively coupling to an upstream network device;

a second connection interface including a secondary connection port for communicatively coupling to a downstream network device via a wireless technology, wherein said second connection interface is adapted to be secured in a fixed location while conveniently providing said communicatively coupling to a downstream network device via a wireless technology;

a means for intelligently concentrating data from a plurality of interface connection ports included in said second connection interface for communication on said primary connection port of said first connection interface; and

a communication bus for communicatively coupling said first connection interface to said second connection interface.

8.(Original) A multi-configuration network connection point device of Claim 7 wherein said first connection interface comprises a single primary interface connection port.

9.(Original) A multi-configuration network connection point device of Claim 7 wherein said secondary connection interface comprises a plurality of interface connection ports.

10.(Original) A multi-configuration network connection point device of Claim 7 wherein said first connection interface couples to a singular communication path to an upstream device.

11.(Original) A multi-configuration network connection point device of Claim 7 wherein said secondary connection interface is configured for convenient placement in fixed locations in a manner that facilitates maintenance of system integrity and security.

12.(Original) A multi-configuration network connection point device of Claim 7 further comprising a means for processing and interpreting data coupled to a first interface.

13.(Original) A multi-configuration network connection point device of Claim 12 further comprising a fault detection means coupled to the means for processing and interpreting data.

14.(Original) A multi-configuration network connection point device of Claim 7 further comprising:

- a processing unit for processing information; and
- a memory for storing said information.

15.(Original) A multi-configuration network connection point method comprising:

- providing a single connection point on a primary communication interface;
- providing a plurality of connection points on a secondary communication interface; and
- coupling the single connection point on a primary communication interface to the plurality of connection points on a secondary communication interface.

16.(Currently Amended) The multi-configuration network connection point method of Claim 15 wherein the single connection point couples to a single communication path ~~(e.g.,~~ to upstream network devices).

17.(Original) The multi-configuration network connection point method of Claim 15 wherein the single connection point is configured for fixed placement in a concealed environment.

18.(Original) The multi-configuration network connection point method of Claim 15 wherein the secondary communication interface is adapted to be secured in a fixed location while conveniently providing said communicatively coupling to a downstream network device via a wireless technology.

19.(Original) The multi-configuration network connection point method of Claim 15 further comprising intelligently concentrating data from a plurality of interface connection ports included of said second connection interface for communication on said primary connection port of a first connection interface.